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MEMORANDUM FOR: AD/NE

You will recall that within the last year we did two estimates, I believe at Planning Board or State request, on threats to overseas bases (SNIE 100-10-58, 21 October 1958 and SNIE 100-3-59, 10 March 1959). When the subject was last discussed in mid-January 1959 DCI had to give an oral summary of SNIE 100-10-58 at NSC.

I see from the new NSC schedule that State and Defense must make a new report in January 1960 on US Overseas Bases as required each year by NSC action. Since our estimates will be over a year old and in view of the NSC's continuing interest in this matter shouldn't we consider an updating of the above estimates for completion in January? I do not believe that more than a brief review and updating would be required.

I am seeking your reactions before making any inquiries of the Planning Board. I fear that if I queried Gordon Gray's office we would get committed to an estimate without our ever having had a chance to consider that we would like to do it.

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